

**REMARKS**

Claims 33 and 68-100 remain pending in this application, all of which stand rejected. In response to the Examiner's oral communication indicating that the prosecution of this case would be reopened and the claims subsequently allowed if the claim language "tubular body" was replaced with the claim language "catheter including an elongated shaft", and the claim language "fixedly secured" was replaced with the language "immovably secured," Applicant has accordingly amended the claims to reflect these proposed changes.

Based on the foregoing, it is believed that, with entry of this amendment, all claims are now allowable and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding this amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (714) 830-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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